# Potlatch State Park Classification and Management Planning (CAMP) Project

# **Public Comments**

### Natural Resource Issues

- Potlatch Creek restoration (Saltmarsh restoration? Remove restroom and excavate) with Tribe. Could impact marine trail campsite.
- Salmon interpretation
- Return to natural state
- More nature programs for community.
- Interpretive signage
- Do not restore day use area of the park for salmon habitat, that would be an enormous undertaking and extremely unpopular with the public.
- Hope for the Lower Hood Canal is education, demonstration, and utilization to recycle public's waste.
- Clearly marked collection bins for specific contents; aluminum, glass, plastic containers, newspapers, food scraps for composts, cans, etc.
- Hope for the Lower Hood Canal is education, demonstration, and utilization of a "Stewardship Program" to prevent pollution of streams flowing into Hood Canal.
- Would like to go clamming.
- Work with Washington Sea Grant.
- Reduction in recreation fishing and shellfishing has hurt private resorts and local economy.

### Cultural Resource Issues

- Prehistoric and historic
- Interpret and protect as appropriate.
- No parking area along Hwy 101 (Tribe and DOT); damaging cultural sites, safety issues
- Look for partnership opportunities with the Skokomish tribe and the Hood Canal School District to establish stewardship and educational programs.
- Involve local tribes and WRIA's (Watershed Resource Inventory Areas) in this planning process.
- Interpretive signage

#### Recreation Issues

- Would like cabins.
- Co-management of trail in land trade area.
- Fishing pier
- Increase shellfish harvest
- More camping space
- Bike trail all the way to Hoodsport could be great
- Regional trail system all the way to Jorstad Creek Port Angeles Discovery Trail
- Hoodsport Trail: Can it be connected to Finch Creek? For a trail? Can it be connected to Foothill Park?
- Hoodsport Trail: 80 acres; Last stand of mature timber in Lake Cushman; classified "Natural Area"; 1.5 (or 15) miles of trail; .5 mile loop; keep pedestrian trail.

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- Hoodsport Trail: Port of Hoodsport is focal point for Regional Trail ideas and interpretation.
- ADA access to beach
- Picnicking is great experience at park.
- Boat launch needed (state park got involved with Tacoma Light park)
- Public fuel docks needed.
- Windsailing
- Kayaking
- Diving access is demanded
- We need a "wreck" environment to draw "rec" use. Locate in central area for Union, Hoodsport, etc.
- Outdoor facilities for divers such as rinse-off showers and tanks are needed.
- Need bigger camp space more places for modern RV's.
- Some concern for RV hookups as private competition.
- Tent sites may be ideal for this area.
- Concern with building cabins as competition with private sector.

## Long-Term Boundary Issues

 Management agreement with orange mailbox property for shellfish harvesting; south of park interpretive kiosk.

#### Facilities Issues

Lilliwaup: Put bathroom near the parking; stairwell

## Miscellaneous Issues

 Would it be possible to set up a labor "account" in exchange for camping fees, i.e. boy scouts, etc.